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Quite a number of Florida papers are publishing very profitable, but awfully dry contributions from the county tax collectors.

The esteemed Ocala Banner is previous. In its daily edition of the 16th it speaks of "Senator Sparkman." Does it mean it?

It's an awful hot fire that can consume thousands of dollars worth of property in a building that contains only several hundred dollars worth of goods.—Gainesville News

Appreciated compliment from South Florida's metropolitan daily, the Tampa Tribune: "The PUNTA GORDA HERALD is like wine. It improves with age."

Editor Jeff L. Davis of the Perry Herald is a candidate for tax collector of Taylor. Here's a vote for him and hoping that he will get three-fourths majority over all competitors.

Editor Humphries, of the Bradenton Journal, is giving the people of Manatee county one of the best weekly papers in the State, and they are showing their appreciation by giving him a liberal support.

Jacksonville Metropolis: Ex-Gov H. L. Mitchell is a candidate for county treasurer of Hillsborough county. All of Florida's ex-governors are poor men and have to struggle for a living the same as other poor men.

Maj. Teague of Lady Lake destroys insects on his vegetables by sprinkling with water in which velvet beans have been soaked. So reported by the voracious Ocala Banner. The beans, after soaking, are good stock feed.

With Irish potatoes retailing everywhere in Florida at 50c to 60c a peck and never less than 35c and the yielding capacity of Florida soil being 100 to 300 bushels per acre, every farmer in this State ought to have a pretty good balance in bank.

If a State Fair does not pay in Jacksonville, where will the State Fair commissioners go to secure a return for the money?—St. Augustine Record.

Let the fair be held in Jacksonville. If Jacksonville won't have it, no other place in the State can fulfill the requirements.

The liberal action of our county Democratic executive committee will meet with approval throughout the county, although if a contest should arise before the State committee, the vote of the county for State and federal candidates might be thrown out. If such a thing should happen, it might result in the choice of a railroad commissioner, for instance, not wanted by a majority of the Democratic voters.

Perry Herald: The committee of DeSoto county has ignored the recent ruling of the state committee in the matter of the qualification of voters in so far as it touches the past party affiliation of the voter. This is a correct idea. We care not what a man has been in the past, if he wants to come into the democratic party and vote the ticket, he should be allowed to participate in the primaries.

Sumterville Times: The Times editor is in receipt of a private communication from Tampa regarding the race for Supreme Court Judgeship which bears the intelligence that it is quite likely that Judge Wm. A. Hocker may get a majority of the votes in Hillsborough county. When it is remembered that his opponent is a citizen of that county, this is news which should prove very gratifying to Judge Hocker's friends. The people of the State recognize in Judge Hocker a man of ability, and a pure and upright jurist, who would fill the office with credit to himself and the State.

Aren't you sorry for the Ocala Banner? It makes this brave offer: "The columns of the Ocala Banner will be published only at rates prescribed by law."

IT WAS TRUE.

Lakeland News: "The fish story of Editor Jordan, of the PUNTA GORDA HERALD, republished in the Gainesville Sun is great. The Sun says that it came from any other source than from the pen of Editor Jordan, whose truth and veracity is irreproachable, they would call it a fishy fish story, but as it came from him they regard it as a true statement."

THE HERALD man is assured by highly credible witnesses of the incident that the only exaggeration in the story was touching the piety of the participants whose religious scruples did not suffer very seriously from their attempt to "draw out Leviathan with an hook" on Sunday.

EXPLAINS SHORTAGE.

Rev. W. L. Mahon, who was de facto county treasurer for the term ending Dec. 31st, 1900, during which a shortage of \$1418.17 occurred, publishes in the News a card totally exculpating Treasurer L. T. Blockson from any blame in the matter and candidly and manfully assuming all the blame unto himself. He charges the shortage to an oversight on his part in checking up accurately. The deficit was promptly made good by Mr. Mahon.

Ex-Collector Nat M. Sauls is short in his accounts in the sum of \$338.91, which it is said will be promptly paid by him.

A QUIET, PRETTY WEDDING.

As "only the unexpected happens," our readers should feel no surprise upon hearing of the marriage which took place last Monday afternoon, the contracting parties being Dr. W. E. Lanier and Miss Sattie C. Parker. Owing to the extremely delicate health of the bride, the elaborate church function which had been arranged for June 4th, was replaced by the very quiet affair of Monday last.

At 5 o'clock the bridal party entered the room, the fair bride leaning upon the arm of her uncle, Judge Wm. B. Hardee, Miss Verdier, cousin to the bride, standing at the left of the groom. The Rev. T. J. Purdie, who read the impressive marriage service which united these two loving hearts, was first to congratulate the newly wed pair.

The bride wore a dainty robe of white organdie, cut en train, the deep shaped flounce of which was covered by tiny ruffles. The waist was a mass of tiny tucks, lace insertion and frills. White Liberty satin ribbon encircled her slender waist, formed a large rosette at the back, and fell in long ends to the edge of her train. A high stock finished at the back by a rosette, together with a large pom pom, both of Liberty satin, and dainty white lace mitts, completed the charming toilette. The groom of course wore the regulation black, the white flower in his button-hole being taken from the bride's bouquet.

Besides those already mentioned, the only guests present were the Rev. J. E. McIntosh, pastor of the groom, and Mr. John Brenzel and family, relatives of the bride. Almost immediately after congratulating the happy pair, the guests departed, fearing to exhaust the feeble strength of the bride.

Mrs. Lanier is the daughter of the late H. A. Parker, formerly of Ft. Myers, and well known throughout South Florida. The name of Lanier is too famous throughout the South to need special mention from us. We who know the doctor love him even more than we admire his well known kinsman, Sidney Lanier, of poetic fame. We can but join our congratulations to those of their many friends here and elsewhere. May they live long to enjoy their present happiness and realize in truth that exquisite German legend: "Where love dwells with love requited. In hearts tender, loyal and true, And their souls are so united. That their love seems ever new, To this twin their God has given, Bliss, which maketh earth a heaven. A FRIEND.

A WATCH FOUND.

Owner can recover same by calling at Register's Ice Cream Parlor, properly describing same, and paying 25c. for this notice.

BOY TO LECTURE ON ALASKA.

Master Arthur Sippell, age 12, who went from Micanopy and spent three years in the Yukon regions, will lecture here next Monday, 26th inst. His conception and delivery are said to be original and very pleasing, and he should have a large audience.

It is hoped that as soon as the vacancies in the town council are filled, that body will take practical steps towards giving the city better fire protection. This is a matter of such vital importance that it should not be ignored. A committee should be appointed to investigate and to recommend what seems best to be done. A steam pump out in the bay, with pipes, cut-offs and plugs along the streets, appears to be the cheapest as well as most effective protection we can get.

Read the announcement of Mr. Ed F. Bostick, of Wauchula, who is a candidate for county commissioner from District No. 1. This scribe is unacquainted with him; but, if he is acceptable to the people of his district, which is evidently the case, there is no reason why he should not be elected. But we trust that he and the rest of the candidates for commissioners will recognize the fact that there is more than one deserving Democratic newspaper in the county. This devotion to the interests of a single paper smacks of ring tactics and is getting tiresome. We have reason to believe, however, that Mr. Bostick is a liberal spirited man and does not belong to any boss or ring.

CANDIDATES' ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for State's Attorney of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the action of the democratic voters at the coming primary.

H. S. PHILLIPS.

I will be a candidate at the coming democratic primary, seeking the nomination to the office of State's Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit. I ask each and every elector at said primary to give me his vote and support.

SOLOMON B. TURMAN,
Of the Tampa Bar.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

In response to the earnest solicitations of many friends and fellow-citizens, I take this opportunity to announce myself a candidate for the office of tax collector of DeSoto county, subject to the Democratic primary to be held on July 15th, 1902. I earnestly solicit the cordial support of my fellow citizens and promise, if elected, to perform the duties of the office faithfully and honestly.

Very Respectfully,
HENRY L. HOLLINGSWORTH

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of DeSoto County, Fla., subject to the wishes of the Democratic voters of said County.

Respectfully,
F. MARVIN DURRANCE.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

I announce myself a candidate for the Legislature. Conditions do not warrant a division of the county. If elected I will oppose such a measure.

ALBERT W. GILCHRIST.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce Finis E. Parker as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic voters in the coming primary.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of DeSoto County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

W. A. HENDRY.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner of district No. 4, subject to the action of the voters in the democratic primary to be held on July 15th. If nominated and elected I shall favor a reduction of at least eight mills of the special road tax and shall also advocate such other economic measures so that the total taxes for the coming fiscal year, from July 1st, 1902, to June 30th, 1903 shall not exceed 18 mills, thus making a reduction of 10 mills on the dollar.

Respectfully,
D. S. WILLIAMS.

The friends of Ed F. Bostick hereby announce him a candidate for the office of County Commissioner for district No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, and earnestly solicit your support.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Johnson Announces His Platform. At the earnest solicitations of leading citizens of almost every section of the county, I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the next Legislature, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

If elected, I pledge myself to use my influence, to work, and to vote,—1st, For reduction of taxes; 2nd, For the protection and betterment of the fish interests of DeSoto county; 3rd, Against the division of the county; 4th, Against the dispensary bill and in favor of a law allowing the people of the state to vote on an amendment to the constitution providing for State prohibition. Having no axe of my own to grind, I shall do my best for the interests of DeSoto county and her people, and I therefore respectfully solicit your support.

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